penal interest on the Government loans as on 31.3.2003, reduced the rate of interest on the loans to 7% w.e.f. 1.4.2003 along with moratorium on principal and interest repayments up to 31.3.2004 and also extended a non-plan loan of Rs. 60 crore in 2003-04 for implementing voluntary retirement scheme through which about 940 employees have been reduced from the rolls of the company to improve its financial condition. The Government has also initiated the process for finalising a third and long term financial restructuring package for revival of FACT. The Union Government has also been pursuing with the Government of Kerala certain concessions for reduction of State levies/taxes sought by FACT, which would improve its financial condition.

(c) Working capital required by FACT is to be raised by the company from commercial banks and extending Government guarantee, for the purpose if needed, can also be explored by the Government.

(d) At present, FACT does not have any infrastructure to import naphtha. Import of naphtha by the company would, therefore, depend on availability of infrastructure and its price in comparison with the price at which FACT is supplied naphtha by Kochi Refineries Limited. Government has been providing non-plan assistance to loss making fertilizer Public Sector Undertakings to take up technology upgradations and FACT has been utilising their earmarked assistance every year for this purpose.

OTC Sale of Drugs

1056. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of drugs under Schedule-H;

(b) whether it is a fact that the multi-national companies are demanding for OTC sale treatment for over twelve categories of drugs;

(c) if so, the details of drugs they are demanding for OTC sale;

(d) whether any committee has been constituted to look into this aspect; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) The drugs covered under Schedule H are contained in the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945. A copy of the list of drugs presently included under Schedule 'H' is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The term OTC is not defined under the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules. Drugs other than those covered under Schedules 'H' & 'X' do not required the production of prescription of a registered medical practitioner and can be procured by the consumer over the counter from chemist shops. Schedule 'K' to the said rules, however, further provides exemption from the sale licence under the rules for sale of certain categories of drugs. Representation from drug manufacturers associations and individual firms have been received from time to time for permitting such non-pharmacy sale of certain drugs. These drugs generally include common house hold remedies which have been found to be safe over their long period of use.

(d) and (e) A sub-committee of Drug Technical Advisory Board, examines such requests in detail for granting exemption under Schedule 'K'. The recommendation of the expert committee are then considered by Drug Technical Advisory Board (DTAB), a statutory committee under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act for amendment of Schedule 'K' to the said Rules.

Statement

Drugs included in SCHEDULE H
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Acebutolol Hydrochloride
Aclarcubicin Inj.
Actilyse
Acyclovir
Adrenocorticotrophic hormone (ACTH)
Alclometasone Dipropionate
Allopurinol
Alphachymotrypsin
Alprazolam
Amantadine Hydrochloride
Amikacin
Amineptine
Amiloride Hydrochloride
Aminoglutethimide Tab
Aminosalicylic Acid
Amiodarone Hydrochloride
Amitriptyline, its salts
Amoscanate
Amoxapine
Amrinone Lactate
Analgin
Androgenic Anabolic, Oestrogenic and Progestational Substances
Antibiotics

Aprotinin
Organic compound of Arsenic for injection
Articaine Hydrochloride
Astemizole
Atenolol
Atracurium Besylate Inj.
Auranofin
Azathioprine
Barbituric acid, its salts, derivative of Barbituric acid, their salts
Bacampicillin
Benserazide Hydrochloride
Betahistine Dihydrochloride
Bethanidine Sulphate
Bezafibrate
Biclotymol
Biperiden Hydrochloride
Bitoscanate
Bleomycin Oil Suspension
Bromhexine Hydrochloridede
Bromocriptine Mesylate
Budesonide
Bupivacaine Hydrochloride
Buspirone
Captopril
Carbidopa
Carbocisteine
Carboplatin Injection
Carboquone
Carisoprodol
L. Carnitine
Cefadroxyl
Cefatoxime Sodium
Cefazolin Sodium
Ceftazidime Pentahydrate
Ceftizoxime Sodium Sterile
Cefuroxime
Cefuroxime Axetil
Centbutindole
Centchromani
Ciclopirox Olamine
Clindamycin
Cimetidine
Cinnarizine
Ciprofloxacin HCL Monohydrate/ lactate
Chlordiazepoxide, its salts
Chlormezanone
Chlorpromazine, its salts
Chlorzoxazone
Clavulanic Acid
Clidinium Bromide
Clobetasol Propenate
Clobetasone 17-Butyrate
Clofazimine
Clofibrate
Clonidine Hydrochloride
Clopamide
Clostebol Acetate
Clotrimazole
Codeine, its salts and derivatives
Colchicine
Caticosteroids, their esters, their derivatives and their dosage forms
Cotrimoxazole
Cyclandelate
Cycosporin Oral Solution
Danazol

1. Schedule H Subs. by G.S.R. 282 (E), dt. 16.7.1996, w.e.f. 16.7.1996.

Dapsone, its salts and derivatives
Desogestrol
Dextranomer
Dextropropoxyphene, its salts
Diazepam
Diazoxide
Diclofenac Sodium
Digoxine
Dilazep Hydrochloride
Diltiazem
Dinoprostone
Diphenoxylate, its salts
Disopyramide
Domperidone
Dopamine Hydrochloride
Dothiepin Hydrochloride
Doxapram Hydrochloride
Doxepin Hydrochloride
Econozole
Enalapril Malenate
Enfenamic Acid
Epinephrine, its salts
Epirubicine Inj.
Ergot, alkaloids of, whether hydrogenated or not, their homologues, any salt of any substance falling within this item.
Estradiol succinate
Estramustine Phosphate Capsule
Ethacridine Lactate
Ethambutol Hydrochloride
Ethamsylate
Ethinyloestradiol
Ethionamide
Etomidate
Etoposide Cap & Inj.
Famotidine
Flavoxate Hydrochloride
Flufenamic acid, its salts, its esters their salts
Flunarizine Hydrochloride
Flupenthixol
Fluphenazine Enanthate and Decanoate
Flurazepam
Flurbiprofen
Flutamide
Fluoxetine Hydrochloride
Galanthamine Hydrobromide
Gallamine, its salts, its quaternary compound
Gemfibrozil
Genodeoxycholic Acid
Gliclazide
Glucagon
Glycopyrrolate
Glydiazinamide
Guanethidime
Gugulipid
Halogenated Hydroxyquinolines
Haloperidol
Heparin
Hepatitis B. Vaccine
Hyaluronidase
Hydrocortisone 17-Butyrate
Hydrotalcite

Hydroxyzine, its salts
Ibuprofen
Imipramine, its salts
Iindapamide
Indomethacin, its salt
Insulin Human
Interferon Alpha Inj.
Intralipid (Intravenous Fat Emulsion)
Iohexol Sterile Solution
Iopromide
Iron Preparation for parenteral use
Isocarboxazid
Isoflurane
Isonicotinic acid hydrazine and other hydrazine derivatives of isonicotinic acid, their derivatives, their salts
Isosorbide Dinitrate
Isosorbide Mononitrate
Isoxsuprine
Ketamine Hydrochloride
Ketoconazole Acetate
Ketoprofen
Labetalol Hydrochloride
Levarterenol, its salts
Levodopa
Lidoflazine
Lithium Carbonate
Lofepramine Decanoate
Loperamide
Lorazepam
Loxapine
Mebendazole
Mebeverine Hydrochloride
Medroxy Progesterone Acetate tablets
Mefenamic Acid, its salts its ester, their salts
Megestrol Acetate
Meglumine Iocarmate
Melagenina Lotion
Mephenesin, its esters
Mephentermine
Mesterolone
Methicillin Sodium
Methocarbamol
Metoclopramide
Metroprolol tartarate
Metrizamide
Metonidazole
Mexiletine Hydrochloride
Mianserin Hydrochloride
Miconazole
Minocycline
Minoxidil
Mitroxantrone Hydrochloride
Mometasone Furoate
Morphazinamide Hydrochloride
Narcotic Drugs listed in the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985
Nadolol
Nalidixic Acid
Naproxen
Natamycin
Netilmicin Sulphate

Nicergoline
Nifedipine
Nimustine Hydrochloride
Nitrazepam
Nitroglycerin Injection
Norethisterone Enanthate Inj.
Norfloxacin
Ofloxacin
Orphenadrine, its salts
Orthoclone Sterile
Oxazepam
Oxazolidine, its salts
Oxethazaine Hydrochloride
Oxolinic Acid
Oxprenolol Hydrochloride
Oxyfedrine
Oxymetazoline
Oxyphenbutazone
Oxytocin
Ozothine
Pancuronium Bromide
Paraamino benzene sulphonamide its salts and derivatives
Paraamino salicylic acid, its salts, its derivatives
D-Penicillamine
Pentazocine
Pentoxifylline
Pepleomycin Inj.
Phenelzine, its salts
Phenothiazine, derivatives of and salts of its derivatives
Phenobarbital
Phenylbutazine, its salts
Pimozide
Pindolol
Piracetam
Piroxicam
Pituitory gland, the active principles of, not otherwise specified in this Schedule and their salts
Polidocanol Inj.
Polyesstradiol
Phosphate Inj.
Praziquantel
Prednimustine Tablets
Prednisolone Stearoylglycolate
Prenoxdiazin Hydrochloride
Promazine Hydrochloride
Propafenon Hydrochloride
Propranolol Hydrochloride
Protristyline Hydrochloride
Pyrazinamide
Pyrvinium, its Salts
Quinidine Sulphate
Ranitidine
Rauwolfia alkaloids of their salts derivatives of the alkaloids or rauwolfia their salts
Reproterol Hydrochloride
Rosoxacin
Salbutamol Sulphate
Salicylazosulphapyridine
Satranidazole
Septopal Beads & Chains

Serratio Peptidase
Sisomicin Sulphate
Sodium Cromoglycate
Sodium Hyaluronate Solution
Sodium and Meglumine Iothalamates
Sodium Valproate
Sotalol
Spectinomycin Hydrochloride
Spironolactone
Sucralfate
Sulphadoxine
Sulphamethoxine
Sulphamethoxypyridazine
Sulphaphenazole
Sulprostone Inj.
Teratolol Hydrochloride
Terbutaline Sulphate
Terfenadine
Terizidone
Testosterone Undecoanoate
Tiaprofenic Acid
Timolol Maleate
Tinazoline
Tinidazole
Thiacetazone
Thiopropazate, its salts
Tobramycin
Tranylcypromine, its salts
Trazodone
Tretinoin
Trifluperazine
Trifluperidol Hydrochloride
Trimetazidine Dihydrochloride
Trimipramine
Tripotassium Dicitrate Bismuthate
Urokinase
Vasopression
Vecuronium Bromide Inj.
Verapamil Hydrochloride
Xipamide
Zidovudine Cap.

Expenditure on R and D by Pharmaceutical Companies

1057. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ASSOCHAM has recommended for setting up of a fund for promoting R&D in pharmaceutical sector;

(b) if so, the amount spend on R&D by Government and pharmaceutical companies during the last five years, year-wise; and

(c) the percentage of amount of the total turnover used on R&D by pharmaceutical companies during the last five years, year-wise?